FISCAL NOTE

SB 3216

January 29, 2008

SUMMARY OF BILL: Expands the list of minerals regulated by the Department of Environment and Conservation under the Tennessee Mineral Surface Mining Law of 1972. The bill would require statewide regulation of limestone, marble, chert, and dimension stone. Replaces references to the authority of the Board of Reclamation Review and the Division of Surface Mining and Reclamation with language indicating the authority of the Water Quality Control Board to regulate surface mining activities.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - Not Significant

Assumption:

• The mining of limestone, marble, chert and dimension stone are currently regulated under the Water Quality Control Act. As a result, any increase in state expenditures to alter the form of such regulation is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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